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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP MASS EG US
SUBJECT: GAMASY RETURN

REF: (A) STATE 149440, (B) STATE 151819

1. GAMASY RETURNED 1330 LOCAL TODAY. I WAS AMONG THOSE AT THE AIRPORT TO GREET HIM. THEY WERE MAINLY SENIOR EGYPTIAN MILITARY OFFICERS.
2. GAMASY WAS CLEARLY WELL PLEASED WITH HIS VISIT TO THE U.S. HE WAS WREATHED IN SMILES AS HE CAME OFF THE AIRCRAFT. IN BRIEF CONVERSATION AT THE AIRPORT, HE SAID THAT HE CONSIDERS HIS VISIT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. HE ASKED THAT I CONVEY HIS PERSONAL THANKS TO THE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY BROWN (HIS HOST), SECRETARY VANCE AND THE MANY OTHERS WHO HAD EXTENDED SUCH GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY. HE ALSO ASKED THAT I SEND HIS APPRECIATION TO BG PFAUTZ AND MG SVENDSEN FOR THEIR MANY COURTESIES TO HIM AS ESCORT OFFICERS.
3. WE AGREED TO MEET SOMETIME NEXT WEEK AFTER HE HAS REPORTED TO SADAT AND HAS CAUGHT UP ON HIS WORK BACKLOG.

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I WAS ABLE CLARIFY ONE POINT, HOWEVER. GAMASY INDICATED THAT HE HAD MADE IT CLEAR IN WASHINGTON THAT HE HAS NO OBJECTION TO A MANAGEMENT OFFICE ATTACHED TO EMBASSY FOR F-5 AND C-130 PROGRAMS. IT SHOULD BE CALLED "OFFICE OF MILITARY COOPERATION." RE PARA 3 REF A, I ASKED HIM ABOUT APPARENT DISCREPANCY BETWEEN WHAT HE HAD TOLD DOD AND SUBSEQUENTLY UNDERSEC BENSON RE NUMBERS. GAMASY SAID THAT

AS FAR AS HE IS CONCERNED, THE NUMBER OF PERSONNEL TO BE ASSIGNED TO THAT OFFICE IS ENTIRELY UP TO US. IT SHOULD NOT BE A LARGE AND CONSPICUOUS OFFICE, BUT SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO THE JOB. (IN LIGHT GAMASY'S CLARIFICATION, I THINK WE CAN WORK ALONG THE LINES THAT LTG GREAVES AND I DISCUSSED DURING MY WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS. WOULD APPRECIATE DOD LETTING ME KNOW ITS LATEST THINKING ON NUMBERS AND PROPOSED RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH MEMBER OF GROUP. WE SHOULD STAFF OFFICE WITH ENOUGH PEOPLE TO DO THE JOB WELL, BUT NOT ANY MORE THAN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY.)

4. APPRECIATE DEPT'S HELP IN LETTING ME KNOW DATE OF GAMASY RETURN. EILTS

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